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## Worksheet - Coulomb's Law

1. A negative charge of  $-2.0\text{ C}$  and a positive charge of  $3.0\text{ C}$  are separated by  $80\text{ m}$ . What is the force between the two charges?

$$F_E = \frac{k(-2)(3)}{80^2} = 8,428,125\text{ N}$$

2. A negative charge of  $-0.0005\text{ C}$  exerts an attractive force of  $9.0\text{ N}$  on a second charge that is  $10\text{ m}$  away. What is the magnitude of the second charge?

$$-9 = \frac{(8.99 \times 10^9)(-0.0005)(q_2)}{10^2}$$

$$q_2 = 2.0 \times 10^{-5}\text{ C}$$

3. Two negative charges that are both  $-3.0\text{ C}$  push each other apart with a force of  $19.2\text{ N}$ . How far apart are the two charges?

$$19.2\text{ N} = \frac{8.99 \times 10^9(-3)(-3)}{d^2}$$

$$d = 64915.8\text{ m}$$

4. A negative charge of  $-4.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ C}$  and a positive charge of  $7.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ C}$  are separated by  $0.15 \text{ m}$ . What is the force between the two charges?

$$F_E = \frac{(8.99 \times 10^9)(-4 \times 10^{-5})(7 \times 10^{-5})}{(0.15)^2}$$

$$F_E = -1118.76 \text{ N}$$

5. A negative charge of  $-8.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$  exerts an attractive force of  $12 \text{ N}$  on a second charge that is  $0.050 \text{ m}$  away. What is the magnitude of the second charge?

$$-12 \text{ N} = \frac{(8.99 \times 10^9)(-8 \times 10^{-6})(q_2)}{(0.05^2)}$$

$$q_2 = 4.17 \times 10^{-7}$$

6. Two negative charges that are both  $-5.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ C}$  push each other apart with a force of  $15 \text{ N}$ . How far apart are the two charges?

$$F_E = 15 \text{ N} = \frac{(8.99 \times 10^9)(-5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ C})(-5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ C})}{d^2}$$

$$d = 1.22 \text{ m}$$